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Mr. William A. Bartlett, Executive Officer Vermont Water Resources Board National Life Records Center, Drawer 20 Montpelier, VT 05620-03201

Dear Mr. Bartlett:

I am writing to acknowledge our receipt of the recent amendments to the Vermont Water Quality Standards adopted by the Water Resources Board on March 14, 2000. I understand these amendments redesignate a segment of the LaPlatte River from a cold water fish habitat to a warm water fish habitat during the period June 1 through September 30. My staff will review the Board's formal submittal in in accordance with EPA's authority under the provisions of Section 303(c) of the Clean Water Act and the regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 131.5.

My staff and I look forward to the continued cooperation with the Water Resources Board and the Agency of Natural Resources in developing Water Quality Standards as part of our respective responsibilities under the Clean Water Act and Vermont Statutes. Gerald Potamis of my staff will be contacting the Board should additional information be needed.

Please feel free to contact me or Gerald Potamis (617-918-1651) of my staff if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Mindy S. Lubber

Regional Administrator

cc: Canute Dalmasse, VT ANR

Gerry Potamis, CVT

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